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SUBJECT: HISTADRUT FINAL ELECTION RESULTS

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1. HISTADRUT RELEASED FINAL ELECTION RESULTS JUNE 29. OUT OF 1,370,000 ELIGIBLE VOTERS 67 PERCENT VOTED AS FOLLOWS:

ALIGNMENT 498,676 VOTES 56.2 PERCENT (58.3 IN 1973)
LIKUD 253,813 VOTES 28.6 PERCENT (22.7 IN 1973)
DMC 72,274 VOTES 8.1 PERCENT (NEW PARTY)

RELIGIOUS

WORKERS 16,128 VOTES 1.8 PERCENT (4.3 IN 1973)
ILP-CR 11,472 VOTES 1.3 PERCENT (6.0 IN 1973)
RAKAH 25,721 VOTES 2.9 PERCENT (2.4 IN 1973)
SHELLI 9,925 VOTES 1.1 PERCENT (2.0 IN 1973)

2. VOTING FIGURES FOR ARABS ARE STILL PROVISIONAL, SINCE ABOUT 37 PERCENT VOTED IN MIXED LABOR COUNCILS. OUT OF 115,000 ELIGIBLE ARAB HISTADRUT MEMBERS, ABOUT 80,000 VOTED. OF THESE 52,000 VOTED ALIGNMENT (65 PERCENT), 21,000 LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FOR RAKAH (26 PERCENT), 3,000 LIKUD (4 PERCENT), 2,5000 DMC (3.1 PERCENT), AND THE REMAINDER FOR OTHER PARTIES.

3. LIKUD GAINED CONTROL OF THE LABOR COUNCILS IN BET SHEMESH AND MA'ALOT, BUT LOST IN THE MIZPE RAMON LABOR COUNCIL, THE ONLY ONE WHERE IT HAD GAINED A MAJORITY R

IN 1973. IN JERUSALEM, EILAT, AND KIRYAT SHMONEH THE ALIGNMENT WON A PLURALITY, BUT NOT ENOUGH VOTES TO CONTROL THE COUNCIL. IN EACH OF THESE TOWNS, DMC COULD DETRMINE WHETHER LABOR OR THE LIKUD WILL DOMINATE THE COUNCIL. IT IS NOT YET CLEAR WHETHER DMC'S DECISION REGARDING JOINING OF THE LIKUD GOVERNMENT WILL BE LINKED TO ITS DECISION TO JOIN EITHER LABOR OR THE LIKUD IN THESE FREE LOCAL COUNCILS. IN CASE THE DMC DOES NOT JOIN THE LIKUD GOVERNMENT, LABOR HAS REPORTEDLY AGREED TO OFFER DMC THREE OR FOUR SEATS ON THE 22 MEMBER HISTADRUT EXECUTIVE BUREAU, PLUS CONTROL OVER A CORRESPONDING NUMBER OF HISTADRUT DEPARTMENTS.

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